

# Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

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## Comprehensive Community Plan

**County: Porter County**

**LCC: Porter County Substance Abuse Council**

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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Porter County Substance Abuse Council will be to assess and promote effective based alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse programs.

**History:** The Porter County LCC has been in existence for some 16 years, meeting every 2nd Thursday of the month at the Valparaiso City Library. About 14 years ago the LCC voted to include a Drunk Driving Task Force as part of our coalition, it continues to meet on the 3rd Thursday of every month. 14 years ago we started the countywide Red Ribbon committee. This committee meets regularly from January to October each year. The LCC is made up of representatives from all of the Porter County Schools, all of the city police departments including the Sheriff's Department and the Indiana State Police, all social service agencies, homeless shelters, halfway houses and concerned citizens. Porter County is located in northwest Indiana, one hour southeast of Chicago, Illinois. We are on the southern tip of Lake Michigan between Lake and LaPorte Counties. Porter County has a population of 150,403. Valparaiso is the County Seat, with the towns of Portage, Chesterton, Burns Harbor and Porter to the north and Hebron and Kouts, IN in the south county.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** Our mission continues to be "to access and promote effective community based alcohol, tobacco and other substance abuse programs." Following this mission our major goal is to reduce the incidence of substance abuse in Porter County. With our mission and goal in mind our problem statements reflect the drug and alcohol concerns in Porter County- The problems that will be addressed are as follows:

1. Porter County experiences a high incidence of transportation, availability & accessibility of drugs, alcohol and tobacco.
2. Abuse of drugs and alcohol by Porter County residents results in harmful consequences to the abuser and the community at large.
3. Residents in Porter County lack the knowledge about substance abuse, and therefore accept and tolerate it and other high-risk behaviors.
4. Porter County experiences a high incidence of chemically dependent offenders and repeat offenders in the criminal justice system.
5. Many youth and adults practice at-risk behaviors such as shoplifting, property damage & sexual promiscuity due in part to their substance abuse.

The PCASC used questionnaires sent out to county agencies and big businesses along with data collected from all the schools, police departments and social service agencies to formulate our Problem Statements and recommended actions.

The LCC has gone back and looked at the strategies that we laid out for ourselves and our plan for 2005. Number 1 was moving ahead and gathering information to start a drug court. We visited a drug court in Terre Haute, IN this summer with one of our Judges. We put together a drug court committee and starting moving ahead using the facilities we had in place in Porter County. Our Drug Court opened in February of 2006, with 2 of our members on the drug court team. We also looked at parent education as one of our high priorities. We updated our Parent Guide Book on Drugs and gave out 2,000 to 6th grade parents. We held 2 Meth/Opiates trainings for the community. We had Jane Bisbee speak at our LCC meeting. We started putting radio announcements out educate parents on what to look for in teen drug use. We will continue stepping up the parent education in the coming year with more radio ads and newspaper educational pieces. With the rest of the state facing meth problems, the drugs of choice in Porter County continue to be alcohol, marijuana, cocaine and heroin, meth is not a big problem, yet.

## Membership List

**County LCC Name: Porter County Substance Abuse Council**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Teresa Armes</b>	<b>PCADOS</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
<b>Carrie Delaney</b>	<b>Kouts Schools</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Ann Baas</b>	<b>Youth Service Bureau</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth</b>
<b>Adam Burroughs</b>	<b>Prosecutor's Office</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary</b>
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<b>Anna Marie Dixon</b>	<b>Parent /concerned citizen</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>
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<b>Pete Duda</b>	<b>Chesterton PD</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Paula Dranger</b>	<b>Choices Counseling</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
<b>Tim Emmons</b>	<b>Sheriff's Dept</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Law Enforcement</b>
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<b>Tom Isakson</b>	<b>Homeless Shelter</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Self-Help, Religion</b>
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<b>Jim Samuel</b>	<b>Portage Schools</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
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## Problem Identification

**Problem Statement #1:** Porter County experiences a high incidence of transportation, availability & accessibility of drugs, alcohol & tobacco.

**Supportive Data:**

- A. A recent local survey by Roosevelt University found Porter County with an alarming rise in the use of heroin over the past year.
- B. 57% of the clients at the Caring Place (women's shelter) admit that alcohol and/or drugs were part of the incident that brought them to the shelter. 35% of Caring Place clients admit personal illegal drug usage.
- C. Valparaiso University had to close one of their fraternity houses this year due to 51 intoxicated minors found in the house. Within 1 month they had another 10 students arrested for underage drinking.
- D. Chesterton HS reported 34 tobacco violations in 2004, Portage schools reported 8 tobacco violations in 04, Valparaiso schools with 2 violations, Indiana State Police arrested 92 juveniles for possession of tobacco in Porter County in 2004.
- E. In 2004 the Portage Police Department arrested 447 adults and 56 juveniles for alcohol related offenses, 174 adults and 22 juveniles for drug related offenses. Valparaiso Police arrested 223 adults and 3 juveniles for alcohol related offenses, 61 adults and 15 juveniles for drug related offenses. Kouts Police made 105 alcohol related arrests, 11 drug related arrests. Hebron PD arrested 54 adults and 4 juveniles for alcohol related offenses, 12 adults and 3 juveniles for drug related offenses, and 3 juveniles for tobacco violations. Chesterton PD arrested 99 adults and 16 juveniles for alcohol related offenses, 26 adults and 24 juveniles for drug related offenses. Indiana State Police report 42 drug related arrests with 16 OWI felony arrests in Porter County. PC Sheriff's Dept made 146 adult/adolescent alcohol related arrests and 126 adult/adolescent drug related arrests. Porter County Adult Probation saw a 3% increase in alcohol/drug referrals, with alcohol referrals increasing by 2%, drug related referrals were up 5%.
- F. In 2004 the Porter County Drug Unit (County sponsored undercover drug unit) made 216 drug buys (up 105 from 2000), cocaine buys 80, marijuana buys 94, heroin buys 18. Death related or drug induced deaths for the past 3 years: 2001 - 8 deaths, 2002 - 15 deaths, 2003 - 18 deaths. Roosevelt University study states drug induced/drug related mortality in Porter County increased 125% in just the past 2 years.

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. Again 57% of the women at the Caring Place report drugs/alcohol were part of the reason that brought them to the shelter. 44% of the women admit drug usage.**
- **B. Chesteron HS reported 23 tobacco violations in 2005, Portage High School reported 8 violations in 05, Valparaiso schools with 11 tobacco violations in 2005, Union Township 1 tobacco violation.**
- **C. Portage Police Dept arrested 537 adults and 72 juveniles for alcohol offenses, 165 adults and 58 juveniles for drug related offenses. Valparaiso Police arrested 195 adults and 54 juveniles for alcohol related offenses, 96 adults and 16 juveniles for drug related offenses. Kouts Police Dept arrested 72 adults and 2 juveniles on alcohol related offenses, 15 adults and 3 juveniles on drug related offenses, one juvenile on a tobacco violation. Hebron Police Department arrested 125 adults and 7 juveniles on alcohol related offenses, 44 adults and 10 juveniles on drug related offenses. Chesterton Police Department arrested 110 adults and 75 juveniles on alcohol related offenses, 30 adults and 12 juveniles for drug related offenses, 32 minor tobacco violations. Porter County Sheriff's department made 151 adult/adolescent alcohol related arrests, 118 adult/adolescent drug related arrests. Indiana State Police report 41 drug related arrests and 62 OWI arrests and 16 felony OWI arrests. Adult Probation saw a 13% increase in alcohol and drugs related referrals.**
- **D. The Porter County Drug Unit has made 239 drug arrests last year, with heroin deaths reaching 4 in 2 months. The Drug unit also reported 5 methadone overdose deaths in the past year. The Drug Unit made 76 cocaine arrests, 84 marijuana, 14 heroin, 14 Ecstasy and 14 prescription drugs arrests in 2005. Coroner's office reported 6 drug related deaths in 2005.**
- **F. We had 44 juvenile alcohol related arrests in 2 months in Porter County by the Sheriff's Dept. Students have been taking alcohol to school and drug dogs have found heroin and marijuana in the Portage HS and Valpo HS parking lots. Portage HS had 22 drug/alcohol arrests at their school by February 2006, Valpo HS had 9.**
- **Our newspapers, along with the Chicago papers are reporting each week on the easy access to drugs on the Chicago streets and the purer and stronger heroin that is being sold there.**

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**Objectives:**

- **A. Maintain the efforts of the PC Drunk Driving Task Force**
- **B. Reduce the availability of alcohol and tobacco to minors by sponsoring alcohol and tobacco stings.**
- **C. Support drug interdiction programs in the county**
- **D. Continue to support the Porter County Drug Unit**
- **E. Support the use of equipment that will enhance the arrest of a drug or alcohol offender including, but not limited to: tasers, PBT's, digital & video camera and in-car computers**
- **F. Continue to support the use of drug-sniffing dogs**
- **G. Maintain and support the use of cellular phones to report impaired drivers.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. The Task Force held 3 server's training sessions to educate servers/sellers on their liability for overserving/serving to minors -for 210 servers/sellers. Educational billboard campaign with ten 911 boards up. \$50 DUI awards for calling in a drunk driver, newspaper ads stating the cost of a first time DUI in Porter County. Letters to the Judges with sentencing recommendations. Letters to schools asking for appropriate prom favors. DUI officer of the year awards for the top 18 officers. The task force made some educational videos for the Judges to show in court, helped get the ignition interlock system started in Porter County. The task force paid for 10 extra week-end patrols this year for each department to go out on DUI patrols.**
- **B. Not addressed this year. We support the Commission and the Excise Police in this effort but we were not involved this year.**
- **C. We provided financial assistance for the GREAT (anti/drug, anti/gang program in all of the Valpo middle schools. Assistance to 4 high schools Natural Helpers programs (peer to peer program that addresses alcohol, drug, and self worth program for high schools students - helps them face and solve these problems.**
- **D. We continue to support our Porter County Drug Unit by having officers from each city work on the unit, calling in names of dealers to the unit and selling drug kits to parents who the drug unit sends to us. We have sold over 200 drug kits this past year to parents.**
- **E. We have given financial support this year in purchasing taser guns for 3 police departments, PBT/s to 2 departments, digital camers to 2 departments and 1 in-car computer.**
- **F. The LCC provided financial assistance for 2 departments by purchasing drug dogs. We encourage all the departments to take the dogs to the schools as much as possible, the dogs were used many times this year in drug busts at area high schools. Letter written to papers encouraging schools to have the dogs at the schools often.**
- **G. The Drunk Driving task force has put up 911 call in billboards this year to encourage the drivers in our county to call in impaired drivers. They have also paid \$50 to drivers who call in and an arrest was made.**
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**Goals: See a decrease in transportation, availability and accessibility of drugs/alcohol in Porter County.**

**BENCHMARKS:** A. 5% decrease in the amount of drugs coming into Porter County. B. 5% increase in the number of arrests for sales and/or possession of illegal drugs by 10/2006. C. 100% compliance of businesses selling tobacco and alcohol to minors by 10/06.

#### **Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- A. 10% increase was shown in the women coming into the Caring Place who admit personal drug usage.
- B. Chesterton HS reports a decrease of 10% in 2005 in their juvenile tobacco violations. Valparaiso HS had a large increase from 2 to 11 violations over the past year. Portage HS violations remained the same at 8 over the past 2 years.
- C. Portage PD saw a 20% increase in adult alcohol arrests and 15% in juvenile alcohol arrests, adult drug arrests 8% increase, 130% increase in juvenile drug arrests. Valparaiso PD saw a 46% increase in adult alcohol arrests, and 41% increase in adult and juvenile drug arrests. Kouts PD saw a 25% decrease in alcohol arrests and 60% increase in drug arrests. Hebron PD saw 50% increase in alcohol arrests and juvenile drug arrests were up from 3 to 10 arrests last year. Chesterton PD 35% increase in adults arrested for alcohol, 52% increase of juveniles arrested, 15% adult drug arrests up and 50% increase in juvenile drug arrests.
- D. Adult Probation saw a 13% increase in alcohol/drug referrals in 2005.
- E. Alcohol arrests were up due to the drunk driving task force sending out extra patrols about 10 times during the year. Also Portage and Valpo are sending extra patrols almost every week-end using the state's DUI and OPO grants. We have seen a 50%-75% decrease in drunk driving arrests over New Year's Eve and Super Bowl Sunday due to the extra patrols, residents are getting the message.

#### **Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Problem Statement #2:** Abuse of drugs and alcohol by Porter County residents results in harmful consequences to the abuser and the community at large.

#### **Supportive Data:**

- A. 63% of clients in PACT (alternating sentencing program) were convicted of drug/alcohol related offenses.

- B. in 2004, 38% of clients referred to the SAVE (batterers) program were using drugs or alcohol at the time of arrest.
- C. Porter Hospital emergency dept treated 125 patients for opiate-related problems, heroin 55, opiates 69, methadone 1. Young adults in PC are experiencing increased health affects due to heroin use.
- D. Porter County Jail reports 176 inmates graduated from their IOP program from 10/03-11/04. all were there due to drug/alcohol arrests.
- E. PACT reported 809 people were referred to the Victim Impact Panel in 2004.
- F. 76% of clients at Caring Place reported their abusers used drugs and alcohol.
- G. Robberies from storage units resulted in capture of fugitive who sold \$20,000 of stolen items to feed his drug habit.
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**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. 72% of clients in PACT were convicted of drug/alcohol related offenses.**
- **B. In 2005, 53% of clients referred to the SAVE (batter's) program were using drugs or alcohol at the time of arrest.**
- **C. Porter Hospital treated 16 patients for opiate-related problems, 9 heroin, 6 cocaine, 61 alcohol, 3 methadone overdoses & 19 inhalant overdoses.**
- **D. Porter Couty Jail reports 194 inmates graduated from their IOP program in 2005. All were there due to to drug/alcohol arrests.**
- **E. PACT reported 1,012 people were referred to the Victim Impact Panel in 2005.**
- **F. 72% of clients at Caring Place reported their abusers used drug and alcohol.**

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**Objectives:**

- **A. Maintain and expand current treatment options for adults.**
- **B. Support treatment for indigents.**
- **C. Support and expand current residential services for men and women.**
- **D. Support community correction programs that focus on rehabilitation and behavior modification.**
- **E. Support holding all alcohol/drug related offenders accountable regardless of the financial or community status.**
- **F. Maintain/support treatment services for adolescents.**

- G. Maintain Victim Advocacy Panels.

**Year 1 Update:**

- A. We provided financial assistance for relapse prevention programs, recovery dynamics, women's recovery group, random drug testing at a homeless shelter and study materials.
- B. We provided financial assistance in the form of scholarships to Moriane House and the Women's Recovery House to those who could not pay for their first month in recovery.
- C. We provided financial assistance for the men at Moraine House (halfway house) by funding relapse prevention programs, study materials and drug testing kits. We gave assistance to Alice's (women's halfway house) to help fund counseling and drug testing.
- D. We have been very active (meeting with Judges, visiting drug courts) in getting a Drug Court to Porter County - we now have one that started in February 2006. We have been active and met with the Judges many times getting the ignition interlock system up and running in Porter County.
- E. The LCC and Drunk Driving Task Force send letters to the Editors and the Judges asking them to hold all offenders accountable regardless of status. This has made a difference and our letters are often read in court.
- F. We have provided financial assistance to the Youth Service Bureau for their mentoring program and to Gabriels' Horn (homeless shelter) for their KIDS program. Chesterton Schools were financially assisted this year to run a middle school at risk program by CHOICES (counseling services) .
- G. We continue to support the Victim Impact Panel but they asked for no help this past year. With the extra DUI patrols their numbers were up this year.

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**Goals:** Realize a decrease in harmful consequences to Porter County residences due to drug and alcohol abuse. **BENCHMARKS:** A. Look for no increases to 5% reduction in alcohol & drug related referrals to Porter County adult and adolescent probation department. B. There will be a 2% reduction in violent relationships for clients of the Caring Place where substance abuse is involved by 10/2006. C. 100% of OWI's to be referred to the Victim Impact Panel for 10/6.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **A. PACT reported an increase of 11% in clients there due to drug/alcohol convictions.**
- **B. The SAVE (batterer's program) had an increase in 2005 of 15% of those referred to the program for using drugs/alcohol at time of arrest.**
- **C. Porter Hospital treated 16 patients for opiate-related problems, 9 heroin, 6 cocaine, 61 alcohol, and methadone 4.**
- **D. Porter County Jail reports an increase of 18 inmates that graduated from their program in 2005.**
- **E. PACT reported an increase of 283 people referred to the Victim Impact panel. This increase is due to the increase in roving DUI patrols.**

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**Problem Statement #3:** Residents in Porter County lack knowledge about substance abuse, therefore, accept and tolerate it and other high-risk behaviors.

**Supportive Data:**

- A. Many parents in our community still supply liquor to minors at graduation parties and hold parties during the school year in their homes where they (parents) supply the liquor so the kids will not drink and drive.
- B. Some parents who purchase our drug-testing kits report they used marijuana so they can't say too much to their kids- they accept and tolerate their use.
- C. Due to yearly changing of prom personnel, Porter County schools have experienced inappropriate prom favors given out at prom to the students.
- D. Many parents do not want to be educated on drug/alcohol abuse because they feel " this will not happen in their family." They are also reluctant to get help for their kids if they are using.

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. Some parents still supply alcohol to their children for in-home parties-they feel it is safer. Parents have told Valparaiso HS counselors they will continue to supervise drinking parties in their homes.**
- **B. One Chesterton HS wrestler was thrown off the team this year due to drinking and unable to compete in a State match. His parents went to court on this matter, felt it was ok to drink and should be allowed to compete. The Judge upheld the schools zero tolerance ordinance and the student was unable to compete.**
- **C. We have had beer mugs and wine glasses given out at prom time by the schools - with letters sent out every year, we have stopped this practice.**
- **D. Parents are slowly coming out to educational drug programs in the community about a 10% increase, many are still reluctant to get talk about the drug problems and/or get help for their kids. We are making headway on this problem.**
- **E. Valparaiso HS sent out letters to parents asking then not to serve alcohol at graduation parties - they received several negative replies back from parents.**

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**Objectives:**

- **A. Encourage prosecution of adults who knowingly support or facilitate underage drug/alcohol/tobacco use.**
- **B. Develop and maintain current prevention/education programs for parents.**
- **C. Maintain/support substance abuse programs for Porter County adults and adolescents.**
- **D. Encourage school districts to participate in statistical surveys or collection of data to measure effectiveness or current programs and identification of at risk students.**
- **E. Maintain and share statistical data among county schools to look at trends and interface this with Probation and Welfare.**
- **F. Develop media campaign for parents of high school/college seniors to educate them as to their responsibility and economic deterrents relative to serving alcohol at graduation parties.**
- **G. Develop and improve current prevention programs.**



- **H. Support development of intervention strategies regarding any relationship between underage substance abuse and other high risk behaviors.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. We send letters to the Judges asking for prosecution/education of those who facilitate underage drug/alcohol use.**
- **B. We have held 2 trainings for parents this year on Meth use and opiate use. We have radio educational announcements out on what parents should look for if they feel their child is using. We also have had several news paper articles on Meth & heroin in the paper this year. We continue to offer our \$5 drug testing kit to parents and have sold over 200 this year. We gave out 2,000 parent guide books on drugs to middle school parents this year.**
- **C. We have provided financial support to Alice's, Moraine House, Care Counseling and Porter/Starke Services, Gabriel's Horn for substance abuse programs this year.**
- **D. The schools have made no strides to move ahead on this in the past year, it is as if they don't want to know or have the community to know the drug use in their schools.**
- **E. All the schools do this now, they are 100% in sharing and working with the Probation and Welfare departments.**
- **F. The Drunk Driving Task Force puts "The Price of a Party" in the paper every year around graduation time. Chesterton HS and Valparaiso HS sent out letters to parents asking that they not serve alcohol at graduation parties, impact on 1,200 families.**
- **G. We gave out 2,000 Parent Guide Books on Drugs to parents, we continue to sell drug testing kits, over 200 this year, 2 Meth trainings and Jane Bisbee came and spoke to our LCC.**
- **H. We were on the Chicago news channel with our drug kit information and a breathalyzer being sold in our community. We continue to support after school AA/NA meeting at Valparaiso HS. We will continue to sell our drug testing kit - over 500 sold in the past 3 years.**

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**Goals:** See a decrease the number of adults who accept, tolerate and model substance abuse and other high-risk behaviors. **BENCHMARKS:** 5% decrease in the number of children entering the Caring Place who witness abuse. B. 100% of Porter County high schools choose appropriate prom favors for the



**2005-2006 school year. C. 50% increase in the number of arrests of adults who support underage drug, alcohol or tobacco use.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **A. We now have 100% compliance with the high schools choosing appropriate prom favors.**
- **B. We would like to say we have 100% compliance with parents not providing alcohol to their teen at graduation- this is hard to measure, but we feel we have made a headway on this problem.**
- **C. We see more parents coming in for drug testing kits each year, we will continue to educate them on Meth, herion, alcohol and marijuana use. We have seen a decline in the number of adults arrested for providing drugs or alcohol to minors.**

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**Problem Statement #4:** Porter County experiences a high incidence of chemically dependent offenders and repeat offenders in the criminal justice system.

**Supportive Data:**

- **A. Porter/Starke's jail IOP program reports from 10/02 to 8/04 they had 44 repeat offenders, or a 24.4% recidivism. Those not in the program (in the general population) had a recidivism rate of 85.28%.**
- **B. 59 clients admitted to Moraine House, 5 were repeat offenders.**
- **C. Treatment process is driven by attorneys and judges rather than treatment professionals, resulting in a high percentage of repeat offenders.**
- **D. PCADOS (Porter County Alcohol and Drug Offenders Service) returned 217 clients back to court, 138 as compliant and 79 as non-compliant.**
- **E. Of the 151 clients seen at Care Counseling in 04, 15 were repeat offenders.**
- **F. Alice's (women's halfway house) reported 12 women left and returned from 12/03 to 12/04.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. Porter/Starke's jail IOP program reported they had 44 repeat offenders or a 24.4% recidivism- this from 10/05. They have to wait a few years to see how many inmates come back so no new stats.**
- **B. Of the 53 men admitted to Moraine House, 4 were repeat offenders.**
- **C. We still believe that the treatment process is driven by attorneys and Judges rather than 100% by treatment professionals, resulting in higher percentage of repeat offenders.**
- **D. PCADOS returned 281 clients back to court as non-compliant, 851 individuals completed the program.**
- **E. Of the 240 clients seen at Care Counseling in 05, 18 were repeat offenders.**
- **F. Of the 50 women seen at Alice's in 05, 7 were repeat offenders.**

**Year 2 Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **A. Promote/support addiction services for residents of Porter County Jail and Juvenile Detention Center.**
- **B. Encourage/support dialogue between judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys and treatment professionals.**
- **C. Support progressive penalties for repeat offenders of drug/alcohol arrests.**
- **D. Encourage, promote, the establishment of a drug court in Porter County.**
- **E. Encourage the courts to allow PCADOS to complete the clinical assessment and write the appropriate contract.**
- **F. Encourage the education and certification of individuals providing the clinical assessment and treatment of substance abusers.**
- **G. As a result of the serious findings of the Roosevelt University study, we support the treatment of heroin as well as the treatment of all drugs.**
- **H. Continue court monitoring and monitoring of the courts' disposition of repeat offenders.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. We support the Jail IOP program by attending many of their graduation programs.**
- **B. We have meet with, and continue to support dialogue between prosecutors and judges and treatment professional in sentencings.**
- **C. We have supported progressive penalties by sending letters to the Judges asking for maximum sentencing in DUI cases resulng in a death. The Judges often read our letters in court, and many times prosecutors office request that we come to a DUI/drug trial.**
- **D. Our LCC has been on the drug court coalition team this past year and our Drug Court was started February 2006.**
- **E. PCADOS referrals have gotten better from the courts this year and we see a change happening with the assessments.**
- **F. 100% of referrals are now only made to agencies that are certified. G. We held 2 Meth and Meth/Opiate trainings this past year (serving 300 people), had Jane Bisbee come and speak at our LCC meeting on how Meth affects the children of the cookers. We will continue to try and be below the state average on Meth use. We have had 4 heroin deaths in Porter County this year and we will continue to educate and sell drug tests to parents.**
- **H. We often go to court and monitor DUI/drug cases, many times we are asked to come by the prosecutor's office.**

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**Goals:** There will be a reduction of chemically dependent offenders and repeat offenders in Porter County. **BENCHMARKS:** A. 1% reduction in referrals to Juvenile Probation by October 2006. B. 5% reduction of repeat offenders by October 2006. C. Increase the percentage of repeat offenders being evaluated by treatment professionals prior to sentencing.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **A. We feel we have made progress with this with Moraine House and Alice's seeing a 1% decrease in repeat offenders.**
- **B. We have seen a big percentage of repeat offenders being evaluated by treatment professional this year- up 20%. Referrals are up at PCADOS and not being made to non-certified facilities.**
- **C. Repeat offenders are still low at the Jail IOP program 24.4% repeat offenders as of 1/06.**

**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Problem Statement #5:** Many youth and adults in Porter County practice at-risk behaviors such as shoplifting, property damage & sexual promiscuity due in part to their substance abuse.

**Supportive Data:**

- A. 1,262 juveniles referred to the justice system in 2004-down from 1,399 in 2003.
- B. Porter County Health Dept reports 663 teen pregnancies in 2004.
- C. Valparaiso PD reports 5 robberies, 81 burglaries in 2004. Portage PD reporting 15 robberies and 182 burglaries. Sheriff's dept reported storage lockers broken into, items sold to buy drugs.
- B. Of referrals to juvenile probation dept in 2004, 312 were alcohol-related (up 15.6% from 03). 340 were chemical substance related referrals, this represents a decrease of 6.3% from 03. Of the 745 urine samples at JDC 20.5% were positive- this is down .5% from 03.

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. 1207 juveniles referred to the justice system in 2005- down from 1262 in 04- 4.3% decrease.**
- **B. Porter Couty Health Dept reports 136 teen pregnancies in 2005- this number is down by over 500 so we may assume the stats were not correct last year.**
- **C. Portage PD reports 8 robberies- down by 7 from 04, and 205 burglaries- up by 23 from 04. Valparaiso PD report robberies down by 2 in 2005, burglaries up from 81 in 04 to 85 in 2005, theft 886 in 04 down to 778 in 05, Valpo PD reports crime down by 8% this year.**
- **D. Of referrals to juvenile probation dept in 2005, 272 were alcohol related (down 12.8% from 2004. 198 were chemical substance related referrals, this represents a 41.8% decrease (they changed their data system and we feel this data is not correct at this time). Of the 551 urine samples taken, 32% returned positive for some form of drug - this is up 11.5% from 2004.**

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**Objectives:**

- **A. Develop new and maintain current programs for those at risk.**
- **B. Continue efforts of student-based prevention programs.**
- **C. Promote the development of adolescent self-help groups(AA/NA).**
- **D. Support programming for children of substance abusers.**
- **E. Support the criminal justice system and the local school system in sharing information relative to substance abuse cases.**
- **F. Encourage the county schools to develop a substance abuse assessment to be completed on any youth violating school policy in terms of alcohol and other drugs and require they follow through with education and/or treatment based on assessment.**
- **G. Encourage Juvenile Probation Dept to run urine drug screens on 100% probationers.**
- **H. Encourage Probations Departments to conduct a substance abuse assessment on those referred on alcohol and other drug related arrests, and on those testing positive on urine drug screens.**
- **I. Support development and implementation of student assistance programs in all Porter County schools.**
- **J. Encourage the use of effective prevention/treatment programs in Porter County.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- **A. We provided financial support to all the high school Natural Helper's programs (4 schools) impacting over 3,000 students. We gave financial assistance to the GREAT program run by the Valpo PD. Anti drug/gang program impacting over 1,000 students, financial help given to CHOICES for their middle school at risk program in Chesterton schools.**
- **B. We continue to support the Chesterton HS Positive Life Program, financial assistance to Natural Helpers (4 high schools), GREAT (4 middle schools), we funded CHOICES middle school program for at risk kids, we gave financial assistance to the Boys and Girls club for scholarships to the clubs for those who could not afford it (75 kids).**
- **C. Valparaiso has an NA/AA after school program for high school students. They have not asked for help but we announce this meeting from time to time at our LCC meeting.**
- **D. We funded a women's/child group at the Caring Place to help the children understand the use by their abuser. Valparaiso HS has educational trainings for staff on Meth symptoms in students.**
- **E. 100% participation by the high schools.**
- **F. Most of the high schools now have this in place.**
- **G. Juvenile Probation reports they run drug screens on juveniles who are on formal supervised probation only.**
- **H. Juvenile Probation run assessments only on repeat offenders or those with multiple failed drug screens. Adult Probation reports they run assessments on all first time offenders - refer out or do administrative hearing or assessment by the Court.**
- **I. All of our schools have this now.**
- **J. Probation sends all clients to PCADOS now, we continue to fund Alice's treatment program, along with the programs at Moraine House, CHOICES and Porter/Starke Services.**

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**Goals:** Fewer youth and adults in Porter County will exhibit at-risk behaviors. **BENCHMARKS:** A. No increase in the number of juveniles referred to the justice system and fewer adults arrested. B. 100% of juveniles will be given urine drug screens. Of those, the current failure rate will decrease by 5% by 2006.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

- A. We saw a 4.3% decrease in 2005 of juveniles referred into the juvenile justice system.
- Porter County Health Dept stats show teen pregnancy went down from 663 (2004) to 136 (2005). (We feel their 2004 stats were not correct.)
- Portage PD reports a decrease in robberies, but an increase of burglaries by 4.
- The juvenile probation dept reports a decrease by 12.8% of alcohol related arrests sent to the JDC.
- There was an increase in positive drug screens of 11.5% showing some form of drug.

**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

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***Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!***

**Next Annual Update Due: May 2007**

**Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: May 2008**

**Date of Community Consultant Review: April 28, 2006**

**Disclaimer:**

You agree that the information provided within this Plan is subject to the following Terms and Conditions. These Terms and Conditions may be modified at any time and from time to time; the date of the most recent changes or revisions will be established by the Commission and sent electronically to all Local Coordinating Councils.

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The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

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Drug Free Dollars Requested for 2005-2006

PREVENTION/EDUCATION

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Positive Life Program	Chesterton HS	\$ 500.00	\$ 250.00
Positive Choices	Washington Twp	\$ 575.00	\$ 575.00
Celebrating Drug Free	Paul Saylor Elem	\$ 545.00	\$ 180.00
Natural Helpers	Portage HS	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
GREAT	Valparaiso HS	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Natural Helpers	Valparaiso HS	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Natural Helpers	Wheeler HS	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Natural Helpers	Boone Grove HS	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Drunk Driving Task Force	DDTF	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00
PCSAC Office	PCSAC	\$10,615.00	\$10,615.00
Game Time	Central Elem	\$ 900.00	\$ - 0 -
Prevention Curriculum	South Haven Elem	\$ 808.00	\$ 510.50
Prevention Programs at Work	Boys & Girls Club	\$ 3,616.00	\$ 1,500.00
ENCARE program	Porter Hospital	\$ 2,145.00	\$ 2,045.50
Dual Problems/Integrated Help	CCA/Greenwich Hs	\$ 486.85	\$ - 0 -
KIDS(families in crisis)	Gabriel's Horn	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Education Group	The Caring Place	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 1,200.00
Healthy Choices into Adulthood	CHS/Choices	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 8,000.00
Drug Education for Teens	CADC	\$11,902.00	\$ - 0 -
Educational Brochures	CADC	\$ 2,606.25	\$ - 0 -
	TOTAL	\$85,699.10	\$47,876.00

TREATMENT/INTERVENTION

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Homeless Adults	CCA	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 517.50
IOP /Indigent	Care Counseling	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00
Relapse Prevention	Care Counseling	\$10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Education Group	Care Counseling	\$10,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Women's Group	Care Counseling	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Recovery Dynamics	Care Counseling	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Testing/Counseling	Alice's	\$10,620.00	\$ 5,500.00
PCSAC Office	PCSAC	\$10,615.00	\$10,615.00

TREATMENT/INTERVENTION CONT.

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Women's Recovery House	Porter/Starke	\$15,000.00	\$ 2,500.00
Random Drug Screening	Gabriel's Horn	\$ 625.00	\$ 625.00
Relapse Prevention	Moraine House	\$ 1,542.78	\$ 1,000.00
Study Materials	Moraine House	\$ 384.16	\$ 384.16
Drug Testing Kits	Moraine House	\$ 1,372.08	\$ 900.00
Scholarship for Indigent	Moraine House	\$ 7,750.00	\$ 4,800.00
Mentor Program	F & YS Bureau	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 5,000.00
	TOTAL	<u>\$101,409.02</u>	<u>\$ 56,841.66</u>

JUSTICE

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Awarded</u>
Mobil Enforcement	Burns Harbor PD	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00
Taser Guns	Valparaiso PD	\$13,600.00	\$ 8,500.00
Drug Dog/Canine Unit	Portage PD	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 8,500.00
Video Cameras	PC Sheriff's Dept	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 7,680.00
Taser Guns	Hebron PD	\$ 1,774.70	\$ 1,674.70
Taser Guns	Kouts PD	\$ 1,681.78	\$ 1,681.78
Intoximeter	Kouts PD	\$ 346.50	\$ 346.50
Crash Laser/Angle Encoder	IN State Police	\$ 6,797.10	\$ 6,797.10
Drunk Driving Task Force	DDTF	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Office Expenses	PCSAC	\$10,615.00	\$10,615.00
'Prime for Life' workbooks	PCADOS	\$10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Portable Breath Test Units	PC. Probation	\$ 705.00	\$ 705.00
Digital Camera	PC Probation	\$ 665.57	\$ 665.57
In-Car Computer	Chesterton PD	\$ 5,691.00	\$ 5,691.00
Radio Adapters	IN Excise Police	\$13,496.00	\$ - 0 -
	TOTAL	<u>\$95,072.65</u>	<u>\$67,456.65</u>

TOTAL dollars requested \$282,180.77      TOTAL funding for 2005 \$172,174.31

### Local Drug Free Community Fund

We have seen a steady rise in our collections over the past 2 years and believe this is due to our police departments taking part in the Commissions DUI grant and Operation Pull Over. All of the police departments are sending out more patrols over the week-ends and our Drunk Driving Task Force has paid for extra patrols over all of the holidays this past year. The collections are steady at \$10,000 or above each month.

\$185,670.85 was deposited into the DFCF account in the most recent fiscal year and we will make this year's allocation in October.

The following is a list of last year's allocations:

#### PREVENTION/EDUCATION

Positive Life Program –Student series of drug prevention classes for 100 kids	\$ 250.00
Positive Choices –Positive life choices addressed for 200 students	\$ 575.00
Celebrating Drug Free – Red Ribbon Week videos for 360 students	\$ 180.00
Natural Helpers- Portage HS - self-help, coping skills, problem solving for 65 students	\$2,000.00
GREAT-anti gang and at-risk class for 550 middle school students	\$1,500.00
Natural Helpers-Valpo HS -self-help, coping skills problem solving for 120 students	\$1,500.00
Natural Helpers –Wheeler HS –coping skills, problem solving retreat for 50 students	\$2,000.00
Natural Helpers – Boone Grove HS – Peer to peer, self help retreat for 50 students	\$2,000.00
Drunk Driving Task Force- anti drinking/driving educational billboards	\$10,000.00
PCSAC office-Director's salary, FICA, office supplies	\$10,615.00
Prevention Curriculum-for 320 students science based drug strategies	\$510.50
Prevention Program-membership for 75 kids to Boys & Girls club	\$1,500.00
ENCARE –Hospital training program for 20 nurses for substance abuse program	\$2,045.50
KIDS(families in crisis at Gabriel's Horn) therapy/counseling/parenting classes	\$4,000.00
Education Group for women at the Caring Place –48 one hr group sessions	\$1,200.00
Chesterton HS/Choices Counseling –healthy choices class for 75 at-risk students	\$8,000.00
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	\$47,876.00

#### TREATMENT/INTERVENTION

Spring Valley Homeless shelter-drug testing supplies for 400 occupants	\$ 517.50
IOP/Indigent counseling, drug testing, family groups for 20 clients	\$10,000.00
Relapse Prevention counseling for those with multiple offenses & have relapsed	\$ 5,000.00
Indigent education self-help group for 25 individuals in treatment	\$ 5,000.00
Women's Group- sexual abuse, alcohol, drug abuse classes for 11 women in crisis	\$ 2,500.00
Recovery Dynamics- an AA 12 week program for 11 clients	\$ 2,500.00
Alice's Halfway house-drug/alcohol testing for 75 women	\$ 5,500.00
PCSAC Office – salary, office supplies, phone, etc	\$10,615.00

### TREATMENT/INTERVENTION CONTINUED

Women's Recovery house-help with costs for shelter for 5-10 women	\$ 2,500.00
Gabriel's Horn – homeless shelter random drug screening for 84 individuals	\$ 625.00
Moraine House- men's halfway house-relapse prevention for 225 men	\$ 1,000.00
Educational AA and NA materials for 200 men at halfway house	\$ 384.16
300 drug testing kits to be use for 120 men at men's halfway house	\$ 900.00
Scholarship for indigent men to live at Moraine House	\$ 4,800.00
YSB mentoring programs, individual & groups for 46 at risk kids	\$ 5,000.00
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	\$56,841.66

### JUSTICE

Mobil enforcement-roving patrols for Burns Harbor PD-100,000 drivers monitored	\$ 1,600.00
Valparaiso City police – 10 taser guns serving entire Valparaiso Community	\$ 8,500.00
Portage PD –canine unit drug dog-serving all of North Porter County	\$ 8,500.00
PC Sheriff's Dept – video cameras for officer's car-serving the entire county	\$ 7,680.00
Hebron PD - 2 taser guns serving 4,000 in South Porter County	\$ 1,674.70
Kouts PD-2 taser guns serving 2,100 people in South Porter County	\$ 1,681.78
Kouts PD- Intoximeter to test drunk drivers in South Porter County, 2,100	\$ 346.50
IN State Police- Ultralyte Crash Laser & Angle Encoder kit-100,000 to be served	\$ 6,797.10
Drunk Driving Task Force- DUI patrols, servers training sessions, 150,000 served	\$10,000.00
PCSAC Office – phone, conference travel expenses, mileage, salary	\$10,615.00
"Prime for Life"books for adults referred to PCADOS –800 people served	\$ 3,000.00
Portable Breath Test Units – Adult Probation Dept for 1,400 probationers	\$ 705.00
Digital Cameras- Adult Probation 1,400 probationers for file pictures	\$ 665.57
Chesterton PD- in-car computer- 11,000 people to be served in North County	\$ 5,691.00
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	\$67,456.65

TOTAL funding for 2005 - \$172,174.31

### ALLOCATION PROCESS

The LCC makes its grant application available at the April meeting and ask that grants be returned to the PCSAC office by the last Friday of May. The Director looks over each grant to make sure all pertinent information is there, if need be, the applicant is called for clarification. The allocation committee is made up of at least one person from Justice, Education and Treatment along with the Director. If questions arise while making the decisions, committee members call those who have submitted for clarification.

Letters are sent out to all who applied to let them know if their program was funded. We do not fund all of the grants that are sent to us, with the high volume of requests that we get some of the programs get less than requested.

The LCC President and the Director then go before the County Council and the Commissioners to release the Drug Free Community Dollars. These dollars are available the first of October. Everyone who is funded must give a 6 month and year end oral and written report. The Director also goes out during the year to visit many of the programs.

### Administrative Expenses

Director's salary	\$22,212.00
Health Insurance	\$ 4,140.00
FICA/Medicare, Fed/State withholding tax	\$ 3,322.00
Telephone	\$ 480.00
Stamps, paper, postcards, mileage	\$ 1,200.00
Workman's Comp	<u>\$ 491.00</u>
Total	\$31,845.72

Unused dollars from last year \$13,496.54

These dollars stayed in the DFCE account and will be rolled over for use for this year's plan. We had no other unused dollars from any other year.